GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5630
ANSWERED ON:30.08.2001
FISHING HARBOUR AT PONNANI KERALA
GULAM MEHMOOD BANATWALLA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in the processing of projects for new fishing harbour at Ponnani, district Malappuram, Kerala;

(b) whether the Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF) Bangalore has completed scrutinizing the project and has submitted its report;

(c) if not, the steps being taken to expedite the scrutiny by the CICEF; (

(d) whether the Government are considering the interest of the fishing industry and the poor fishermen community; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

(a)&(b): The Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF), Bangalore had completed scrutiny of the proposal and submitted its report. The proposal of the Government of Kerala for construction of a fishing harbour at Ponnani was considered and has been processed.

(c): Does not arise

(d) & (e): The Government of India has been implementing various Centrally Sponsored and Central Sector Schemes with the objectives of development of fishing Industry and poor fishermen community. These include development of infrastructure, motorisation of traditional crafts, reimbursement of central excise duty on HSD consumed by vessels below 20m length, Fishermen welfare schemes consisting of insurance, saving-cum-relief, housing etc.